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Saudi Arabia

TRADE REPORT - QUARTERLY IMPORTS

January-March 2009 Barley Imports Data

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Report Highlights:

Saudi Arabia's barley imports during the first quarter of calendar year 2009 (January-March) decreased 31 percent compared with the same period in 2008.

Post:

Riyadh

Commodities:

Barley

Executive Summary:

Saudi Arabia's barley imports during the first quarter of calendar year 2009 (January-March) decreased 31 percent compared with the same period in 2008 (1,450,000 metric tons vs. 2,114,000 metric tons). Australia supplied 53

percent of total barley imports during this period followed by Ukraine with 30 percent (trade matrix attached).

January-March 2009 Saudi Arabia's Barley Imports						
---000 metric tons---						
Month	Australia	Ukraine	Russia	Argentina	Germany	Total
January	399	156	88	0	58	701
February	121	174	0	32	0	327
March	248	99	39	36	0	422
Total	768	429	127	68	58	1,450

January-March 2008 Saudi Arabia's Barley Imports								
---000 metric tons---								
Month	Australia	Canada	France	Germany	Ukraine	Argentina	Spain	Total
January	77	292	161	70	61	0	109	770
February	231	116	36	143	0	57	0	583
March	479	121	77	0	55	29	0	761
Total	787	529	274	213	116	86	109	2,114